by James Madeson Page, formerly a

Cav. Mr. Page holds the Government

of the United States, thru Secretary

unfitted Mr. Page is for writing any

mon thing in wars for Nations to refuse

self absolutely incapable when he takes

"There was a quiet, subdued expre-

sion of sadness in his countenance, par

ticularly in his eyes. Further, the Major was slim in build, of good hight and with a handsome face. There was nothing of that short, thick-set Dutch-

It is somewhat presumptuous, to say

verdict with a full sense of the re-

Mott, John W. Geary, Lorenzo Thomas

COARSE BAVING.

Think of the dignified United States

upon seeing my words; their weak bodies trembled, the

ment or more servient hypocrisy. Go!

"All that may they do, all and more, if there yet be open further depths of infamy to a polluted, besotten press."

What kind of people must there be

The land grabbers and timbe

sleuths in the Treasury Secret Service

They hope that in the future the de

tectives put upon their trail will not

selves to their legal duties of detect

ing the counterfeiters and protecting

no matter what they feel, over the

story that the William R. Hearst In dependence League will nominate Sen-

ator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, for

President. They say that LaFollette

will draw far more votes from the Re

publicans than from the Democrats

and thus contribute to the election of

over the failure of Ex-Gov. Frank S.

Black to be elected as one of the Big

Republican Convention. It will be re

little,

the

scribes Wirz thus:

of all of us.

Henri Wirz.

trial:

"To care for him who has borne the battle, and for his widow and orphans."

The National Tribune.

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The work of making Cuba a fit place to live in goes on steadily. An engineer who has been Superintendent of the Washington sewers for 21 years is going to Havana to take charge of the construction of a most extensive sewer system, which will remedy the worst conditions in the city.

Ohio, with the storm center being around the re-election of Senator Allison. Senator Dolliver has added greatly to the warmth of the season by recalling a promise made by Gov. Cummins two years ago never to be a candidate against Senator Allison.

Another very foolish girl has married for girls who marry Indian chiefs and European aristocracy are about the same. The girl who marries an Indian chief may be able to keep her money. which is out of the question with the but the latter has the advantage in social distinction, which is a compensa-

marry a young man that she ran down force in all the Departments of the with her auto is a decided variation Government and that this protection from the old story of women marrying men who have rescued them from

the States and the flamboyancy of the of murdering the President's American. He was called upon to speak at an anti-He was called upon to speak at an anti-vivisection meeting, and spoke of the "pandemoniums of hell which go under the name of laboratories," He used pandemoniums like the old woman did
Mesopotamia, just because it was a big
word of the meaning of which he knew nothing. Mr. Towns has fine talents other employee.

Senator Jeff Davis, of Arkansas, nears

The Department of Indiana, G. A. R., business, the more he has tried to thoroly learn it and discharge his durailroads of the State in securing suitat Kokomo, May 19-20. In pursuance his living by some other vocation. circles in Germany over a threatened points in the State reached by its road, in its ervice.

One of the most important things that should come before the coming National Encampment at Toledo is some energetic action towards protecting veterans who are in public employment. National. State or municipal. This subject is a sore one and one that calls for the ablest minds that are assembled in the National Encampment. Failure has attended the efforts heretofore made to secure such an amendment of the laws as would protect the veterans, and our whole reliance is at present upon arousing such public sentiment and securing such attention from executive officers as will prevent faithful and longserving employees from being turned out in their old age and decrepitude. A visit to the President secured from him the warmest expressions of

appreciation of the claims the veterans have upon the Government and an the Government should be put out in powers would not admit of his render-

individual case.

are young fellows pushing in who are eager for the salaries and who have served the country or for what they may have done in civil employment. All that these young fellows want are that some amendment to the Federal and of some other States. There has always been a constitutional objection raised against this, and the veterans in New York went about it in the right way when the new constitution was adopted of embodying protection to veterans in the constitution itself. The constitutional objection was an estopan Indian. The chances of happiness page in Massachusetts and in some other States, but Massachusetts has made her laws so that the veterans will have protection. Despite the efforts of energetic and able comrades in other States this has not been secured. It seems possible, however, girl who marries a bankrupt nobleman, that something could be done in the way of positive law and still more in which will make the President's ex-The statement that an heiress is to pressions and assurances have a vital

It is a subject which the coming now of New York, will be Secretary of the Treasury. The talk of Schley for Secretary of the Treasury. The talk of Schley for Secretary of the Navy is invended for effect in Maryland.

Such seem to have been the first effects upon a plutocratic press.

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State and municipal employ.

Practical experience, which they ignore, will show them that in every his finish in the Senate, as he may be Department of the Government emsaid to have made it in State politics. ploy there are men of the highest abili-He is an exceedingly poor imitation of tors, who cannot possibly meet all of Senator Tillman. From the first Sensenator Tillman. From the first Sen-ator Tillman really had brains behind their tupenny tests, but who are worth over the files of the papers of to-day after be molested by the trained his uncouthness and boorishness. Davis ments of Washington the very best clerks and executives are the men who quently his boorishness is disagreeably served their country in the army and hanging himself to a joist in the celiar easier baffled. Chairman Tawney, of evident. The Senators merely laugh at navy and have since added to that of his home, 2205 Mura street. The the House Appropriation Commithim, and go on about their business years of faithful service in their sevwithout further regard of his clown-eral vocations. They have acquired a J. Horn, Jr., who notified Patrolman H. ployment of the "Black Cabinet," and Another civil war veteran retires from sponsibility that the graduates of the Caruthers gave a certificate of death by Treasury operators shall confine themhigh command in the Army in the per- Civil Service system are woefully deson of Maj.-Gen. Charles B. Hall, who ficient in. What is true of the Civil Horn had been despondent for some time because of lack of employment the President. This result was not se

able rates to the Annual Encampment to go back into private life and make ties conscientiously, the less able is he

tion taken which will bring peace and affected by it.

VETERANS IN PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. hope to the minds of many thousands everywhere who have spent the years since their discharge from the army and navy in faithful service to their city. County. State or the Government.

AMERICAN EMBASSADORS TO GER-

MANY. Altho the little flurry over the ap pointment of Dr. Hill as Embassador to Berlin has been virtually forgotten the soldiers. This alone shows how in this country, it still continues to be an exciting topic in Europe and par- thing that savors of history. No matticularly in Germany. The French pa- ter what the policy of our Government pers are discussing it with much gusto and of Secretary Stanton was with re as pointing to a new era in diplomacy, gard to exchange, it afforded no earthwhen a diplomat will be reckoned by ly justification to the Confederates for the amount that he may be worth in misusing their prisoners. It is a comdollars and not in ability and accomplishments. The German papers do to exchange prisoners, but this does no not hesitate to say that the whole trou- justify in the least any violation of the ble was caused by the Kaiser letting laws of war, and Mr. Page shows himfall certain expressions, which Embassador Tower interpreted to mean that that view of the matter. Page de assurance that no faithful servant of Dr. Hill would not be considered persona grata at Berlin, and the papers the cold on the plea that his failing say that these objections were based solely on Dr. Hill not having the money ing the service that he had formerly to make the display which Embassador given. If the man was incapable of Tower did. Undoubtedly the Kaiser the highest duties, lower duties should said this in so many words, and Mr. be found for him which were within Tower, at His Majesty's desire, comhis capacity. Undoubtedly the Presi- municated it to Washington. It is furdent meant all that he said, and so far ther alleged that the Kaiser went on to as his personal will can assert itself say that altho President Andrew D. grave suspicion. Only those Union these promises will be made good. But White "was a man without means," the prisoners were acquainted with Wirz unfortunately, the President cannot be Emperor "appreciated his learning and who belonged to that ignoble class of everywhere and cannot know of every scholarly reputation, but held it to be parasites which toadled and flattered a misfortune that he did not manage the prison-keeper in order to get favors In all public departments, State and to assert his high position outwardly as from him. The rest of us in that municipal as well as National, there well as otherwise."

The London Times says that this acquainted with Wirz beyond his exstatement is undoubtedly "the most ex- hibitions of brutality and cruelty which little consideration for the men who traordinary which has ever appeared he made in public and before the eyes in a responsible journal."

The Nord Deutsche Zeitung, of Berlin, which is the official organ of the the places and salaries attached and Government, thinks that an Embassathey are merciless in crowding out the dor without fortune would not "feel stituted the commission to try and con-old fellows. We have earnestly wished comfortable at Berlin," whereat the demn Charles I. But the condemna-Radical German papers point out the law could be made which would give simplicity of Benjamin Franklin's life, Iowa seems to be having about as the veterans as positive protection as has been secured for them by the politics to the square inch as Constitution and laws of New York much politics to the square inch as has been secured for them by the well represented in Berlin without expensive splurges, and they say "that prison yard at Washington." the prestige of America in Germany! does not depend upon the number of the least, for a Second Lieutenant to dinners an Embassador is able to give." pass such curt condemnation upon a One leading German paper does not court ordered by the President of the hesitate to assert that the Kaiser has United States and composed of some once more put his foot in it, and the of the ablest men in the country who Madgeburger Zeitung blames Mr. Tower conducted its proceedings with all the for allowing himself to be made the dignity of a high tribunal and gave its Kaiser's catsnaw

sponsibility of judges occupying their The Radical French papers fling their sharpest darts at the German Kaiser, conspicuous position. It will take far who will not have an American Embassador unless he squanders money, loads his table with gold plate and has a gold-time, to offset the opinions of such laced footman on every step of the

staircase. The English papers are disposed to lecture us because of the poor pay that we give our Embassadors, which does not permit them to rent fitting residences. On a salary of \$17,500 they cannot rent much of a house or keep Senate having inflicted upon it such a will be extended to those who are in up a very pretentious establishment, so nightmare of hot, meaningless rant as that it is only wealthy men, who are this speech of Senator Jeff Davis, of fiction is to represent the woman as a National Encampment should take up able to spend out of their private means Arkansas, upon trusts: "huntress," and chasing down the man with the greatest earnestness and de-"huntress," and chasing down the man whom she has picked out for her huswhom she has picked out for her hus-band. It is rather startling, however, to think of her using an automobile for it should have done, but the matter has diplomat from some petty little Balkan carpous, misnamed men, pressed trousers and all, slinking cravens at the State. The whole condition shows a Talk about counting chickens before of the Encampment and been dis- descent from the times when such brilthey are hatched. Bryan is said to be posed of rather impatiently and cermaking up his Cabinet already, with tainly hastily in order to make room and Washington Irving represented the eyeballs rolled nervously, and the eyes Réar-Admiral Winfield Scott Schley to for other business. The National Enbe Secretary of the Navy. It is denied, campment cannot make better use of lectual station was so high that people snapped aimlessly, as do ordinary dogs, however, that ex-Senator Richard F. half a day during the coming session did not think of the meagerness of as it is said, affected with hydrophobia. Pettigrew, formerly of South Dakota, than by taking up this matter fairly their surroundings. Fischietto, or Such seem to have been the first effects upon a plutocratic press. "Let seavengers of plutocracy boutt

Years hence, when the country is in Arkansas, where such a fellow ringing with the praises of the splendid passes for a great popular orator? brave men who saved the Nation from destruction at such terrible cost to thieves have got their deadly work in,

"Baltimore, April 29.—Jacob J. Horn, Sr., 60 years old, a veteran of the civil war, committed suici le yesterday morning between the hours of 2 and 3, by be of such a high order, and can be body was found suspended from the rafter by the son of the deceased, Jacob knowledge of Government business Schwarzman, of the northeastern dis- made much pow wow which has suc and methods and have a sense of re- trict, who cut the body down. Coroner ceeded in having a provision that the

of the general campaign by the rail- Therefore, the more reason that the movement on the part of the United public should assure him of a sup- States to compel the owners of profitfous as possible, so as to throw discredit port in recognition of what he has able foreign patents to establish their upon rallroad regulation, the Central been. If the Government wants the workshops in this country. This re-Passenger Association has refused any best men in its service, and it deserves fers particularly to the great Aniline reduction of rates on the steam lines, them, it must treat them with ordinary Dye Industries, in which Germany The Lake Eric & Western Electric Line, humanity, justice and gratitude, and leads the world. We pay Germany however, has had the wisdom to take all these are flagrantly violated when every year some \$25,000,000 for con advantage of this, and offers a rate of a faithful employee is dismissed be- tar dyes, the use of which is protected one cent per mile each way from all cause he has exhausted his strength by patents, and it is believed that it accordance with our protective policy plus 25 cents, for the round trip. In Let us have this matter brought be- the dyes should be made in this coun-Four to represent the State at the consequence all those who propose to fore the National Encampment and try. The Germans speak of retaliation, attend the Encampment will make an give it the thoro consideration which but there are comparatively few value membered that Gov. Black nominated effort to reach this line and go as far its importance deserves and some ac- able American patents that can be Roosevelt in 1904, in a speech brilliant

A DEFENSE OF WIRZ. THE SHERWOOD BILL A book which is attracting some atention in the papers of the country is

a defense of Maj: Henri Wirz, written Gen. J. Warren Keifer (Ohio) Attacks It Second Liegtenant in Co. A, 6th Mich. in the House of Representatives.

The following are parts of Gen. J Stanton, responsible for the existence Warren Keifer's speech in opposition to the Sherwood Bill: of the prison pen and the death of Mr. Chalrman, I will confine myself to the consideration of certain bills advertised as pension bills. My colleague (Mr. Sherwood) has chosen, under the pretense of advocating more liberal pension laws, to assail the Grand Army of the Republic, its Commander-in-Chief, Mr. Burton, and The National Tribune, a leading soldier paper published in Mr. Chairman, I will confine myself to leading soldier paper published in Washington City, and of wide circulation in this country. And he has also, in various ways, attacked the patriotism of this House and of individual members thereof for no supporting his bills. And he has included in his attacks military homes and their management. Neither the Grand Army of the Republic, nor its ommander-in-Chief, nor the Tribune or its editor, nor this House or its members, nor these institutions need any defense at my hands against such attacks, but as certain bills, erroneously called "pension bills," are made the excuse for the unwarranted assaults, their true character should be stated. I shall speak plainly of them and of their de-

man, repulsive in appearance, besotted ignorant and cruel, we hear about, or eptive and political character. The attack on the Republican memof a countenance denoting ferocity and bers of the House for not supporting and passing his bills and the threatened Mr. Page says that he was well ac consequences at the coming Presidential election for not doing so will be a suffiquainted with Wirz. This implies cient excuse for my speaking of them without reserve and plainly of the methods adopted to secure their apparent approval from veteran soldiers of the civil war, not one whom would approve either bill a knowing its true character. The procedure of my colleague in relation to his bills is, I believe, without precedent prison had little opportunity to get

in Congressional history.

It is too late in the history of pension legislation to assail Congress or its mem-bers or any party for lack of liberality in passing pension laws. My colleague's zael in trying to aid the Democratic party on the verge of a Presidential Mr. Page says this about Wirz' campaign must have inspired him to in-"Thus ended the greatest judicia troduce and exploit, through the press and by correspondence and by speeches tion of Henry Wirz was the more pro nounced outrage of the two, for the remains of Charles I. were accorded

"A bill to authorize the creation of the colunteer service roll." The other bill, H. R. 7625, introduced so forth. December 12, 1907, referred to the Comnittee on Invalid Pensions, is entitled:

more than the testimony of Mr. Page, of whom we now hear for the first nensioning anybody. Both the bills, introduced), from the editor of the though separately, have been proclaimed and advertised by various ways and methods to the old soldiers as the bills to pension "all old veteran soldiers to the South the \$50,000,000 which is of the civil war at \$1 per day." We known as the cotton tax collected shall soon see that if each bill as drawn from the Southern States." Among men as Gens. Lew Wallace, Gershom Francis Fessenden and E. S. Bragg. who composed the court which tried shall soon see that if each bill as drawn from the Southern States." "volunteer service roll" mentioned matter, "Diminutive editors in paroxysms of frenzy grimaced and gesticulated as cravens at the

The author of the bills, in his recent speech here (February 26, 1908), described himself as a "plain, blunt old the Congressional Record to be signed soldier" who appears "to speak a few by 6,000.
words for 175,000 veterans of the civil Mr. Sherwood:
war" in favor of his bills, "giving to think of the kind.

close of the war. There never has been any movement like it. It is a spontaneous movement of the old soldiers he says in his filed petitions was signed without any organization whatever. by 10,000 of them; from Marion, Ind., This is the only measure that takes care with 1,625 veterans, by 5,600; from of the veteran soldiers. All other bills Johnson City, Tenn., with 1,359 vetthat have been enacted by Congress was erans, by 5,600; from Hampton, Va. it be your further pleasure, gnaw from my stiffening limbs every vestige of

the Grand Army of the Republic for turn to the Record of April 3 and you having a salutary order that requires will see it in his own language.

Grand Army of the Republic Posts (not Mr. Sherwood: That is not my mis-

by Posts in regard to pension legislation forwarded to national headquarters thru the department headquarters, and that Posts be forbidden to make separate declined to yield.

Mr. Sherwood: If you will turn to the corrected report you will see it.

The Chairman: The gentleman has declined to yield.

Mr. Sherwood: I hope the gentleman does not want to misrepresent me.

n general orders of the commander-inthem or of their misleading character, and were afterwards promoted to offi-The purpose of the attacks seems to be to try to demonstrate that the Grand Army of the Republic and its pension committees and friends have not the old veteran soldiers' interests at heart such amendment was made, and that the Commission arrives at is soldiers' soldiers.

for this bill. And now, when it has already received favorable consideration by a majority vote of the Military Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, to have this high official, who, above all others, should stand for justice and equity for these brave and constant soldiers, attempt to cripple our efforts for relief, has overwhelmed me with disappointment. And if this great measure of grateful succor to the common of the pathetic appeal in their behalf, and how they will exclaim when they find they are never even to enjoy the empty honor of being on a roll!

I now propose to review their fake character as pension bills.

Not Pension Bills.

One of the bills provides for an in-

Army," and by mustering out the larger of the letters and petitions, as already Can any of our readers answer part thereof; that the bill "will only appears, were signed on the mistaken questions?—Editor National Tribu

neither bill is stated or explained in the speeches or in interviews or in the petition headings, or in any literature sent. Neither bill makes any distinction to the old soldiers, or to Grand Army of the Republic Posts, or to the counof here. Looking to letters and petitions my colleague presents here, we learn certaining the 18 that the old veterans who signed them were led to believe that the bills pro-pose "to give all the old veterans of the

"I have before me some of the petritions I have received from these old soldlers in favor of the bill that I had the honor to introduce, giving to every veteran who served 18 months at the veteran who served 18 months at the land the lan

There are other things of like tenor stated in this speech, which concludes with the now usual threat that the Democratic party will afflict the country by electing Bryan President of the United States this year. My colleague says this result is to follow because the Republican members of this Congress will not pass his bills.

Gen. Sherwood interrupted to deny that he had used Mr. Bryan's name in his speech.

Gen. Keifer read a number of headings to petitions, and said these head-ings say nothing about all veterans be-ing excluded from the rolls who had

troduce and exploit, through the press and "served with credit" or "not less and by correspondence and by speeches than 18 months in the field with troops," here, to be sent out to the country, his or had been in the Regular Army, or bills as pension bills when they are not.

They were evidently only introduced for political purposes and not for enactment can War, the Spanish War, the Philipinto law.

They are without merit and will not have the approval of anybody who understands their real import and purpose. do they advise the old soldiers, sallors, That there may be no mistake as to or marines who signed the petitions that their character, I will refer to them in ascertaining the required 18 months' somewhat in detail. They are not dis-similar. Neither is, nor purports by its title to be, a pension bill. Each under-camps, in forts or other defenses, or on takes only to create or enact a soldiers' guard duty in the rear, in the Veteran roll. The first bill, H. R. 4038, intro-duced December 3, 1907, referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, is enti-must be excluded in calculating the 18 months' time limit, and it does not state that the soldier must serve this period "in the field with troops," and

The other bill, H. R. 7625, introduced so forth.

ecember 12, 1907, reférred to the Comittee on Invalid Pensions, is entitled:

"A bill to authorize the enactment of veteran volunteer roil."

Anything goes for a Sherwood bill.

One paper, filed and refiled as a petition for the passage of his bill, consists of a letter to him, dated Novemveteran volunteer roll."

Neither bill makes any provision for ber 19, 1907 (before either bill was was enacted into law it would not pen-sion anybody at any amount; and that are large quantities of such irrelevant

in the former, and the "veteran volun-teer roll" mentioned in the latter bill would result in having two invidious filed by him can not be found, notably would result in having two invidious and shamefully unjust rolls from which would be excluded the larger part of the disabled, most worthy, and longest-serving veterans of the civil war, many of whom were wounded in battle and served with credit much longer in the battle front than most of those who would be eligible to be entered on either roll. No veteran soldier of the Regular Army, per of any other than the so forth. How these veterans multiply would be eligible to be entered on either roll. No veteran soldier of the Regular Army, nor of any other than the civil war, nor any sailor or marine of any war is to become eligible to either the petitions been padded, if they exist roll.

I never said any-

Mr. Keifer: Another from Leavenpassed thru committees appointed by the Grand Army of the Republic operating thru committees of Congress. This bill is not a political pension bill. It is tions and discrepancies—to say nothing a bill that recognizes only service and merit."

Record and the pretended petitions. He then follows with an attack upon filed here. If any of you doubt this He then follows with an attack upon filed here. If any of you doubt this,

Petitions, memorials, and resolutions of the printer.

Petitions, memorials, and resolutions of the printer.

Mr. Sherwood: If you will turn to

This order is in pursuance of a resolution first adopted in 1884, and repeatedly since by the National Encampsigned on representations of the auent of the Grand Army of the Re- thor that he had amended his original the railroads as a means of transportabent of the Grand Army of the Re-ublic, and published in the usual way bill so as to include and pension all general orders of the commander-in-"enlisted volunteers in 1861, 1862, 1863 chief, as often before, without regard and 1864, and were later transferred to my colleague's pretended pension bills, and without any knowledge of all soldiers who enlisted as privates

to create patriotic sentiment later, when they were, he says, mus-bill. And now, when it has tered out. How these 1864 surviving believes that our knowledge is not yet

with disappointment. And if this great measure of grateful succor to the comrades is killed in this Congress the old veterans will know where to fix a part, at least, of the responsibility."

The last clause of this quotation shows the real purpose for which the bills were introduced—that is, solely a political one.

The author of the bill in his speech further states "that this bill can be passed by this Congress without taking passed by this Congress without taking already dollar of money out of the bills provides for an instelled for a like "veteran volunteer roll," and neither bill if enacted into law without amendment, would provide, as already stated, a political one.

Steamboats at Memphis.

Editor National Tribune: 1. On what day of April, 1861, were the river boats selzed at Memphis, Tenn., by the sympathizers with secession?

2. How many were there?

3. What were they named?—E. R. passed by this Congress without taking bill it should be styled "a roll to disassingle dollar of money out of the United States Treasury, simply by reducing the appropriations for the diers and sallors of the civil war." All

take about \$17,500,000 the first year," belief that there was at least one bill take about \$17,500,000 the first year," and by "stopping the construction of two more of the useless battle ships that are to cost \$20,000,000;" "by reducing the large appropriation for a standing army to maintain a government of force in the Philippine Islands;" "by reducing the enormous appropriations for continuing the work on the Panama Canal, a project he says) now liable to prove the most expensive failure in all the centuries. " " pronounced impracticable by the most capable engineers of England, France, Germany, and independent of the two bills were introduced in December last, nine days apart. The carlier one—H. R. 4028—was referred, as before stated, to the Committee on Military Affairs, and the later one—H. R. 7625—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions. The title of each invalid Pensions. The title of each invalid Pensions as peretofore stated its object.

Neither bill makes any distinction between soldiers disabled or incapaciof the Republic Posts, or to the country; hence the numerous petitions, resolutions, and memorials so much boasted to faithful service and those who were to faithful service and those who were more fortunate, save to exclude in them as were off duty while in the service recovering from injuries or pose "to give all the old veterans of the civil war \$1 per day." The petitions presented by him generally show this. This mistaken notion is variously promulgated. I quote from his recent speech:
"I have before me some of the petitions of the civil war. The author says his bills are to provide for only 175,000."

"volunteer service roll" composed of civil war veterans who served "with credit as an enlisted man not less than 18 months in the field with troops," between July 15, 1861, and July 15, 1865." This bill cuts out, in counting the 18 months, the time (three months) volunteer Union soldiers served under Lincoln's first call for troops April 15, 1861), most of whom reenlisted before 15, 1861, and served with hon-e records. What is the matter July 15, 1861, orable records. with these worthy first volunteers to respond to their country's call that they are to be excluded from the proposed "volunteer service roll?

There were many thousands in the Inion Army who, like those of the Veteran Reserve Corps, were not mus-tered out on account of the wounds tered out on account of the wounds they received or the disabilities they contracted, but at the ends of their terms of enlistment, or at the end of the war. Many were thus tered out who served more than 18 months, if time spent in hospital or elsewhere suffering from disease, or in the rear in camps, forts, defenses, in the rear in camps, forts, defenses, or guard duty, and so forth, was count-ed. All these are to be excluded. All these are to be excluded.

I recently reported, and we passed \$150,000,000 pension appropriation bill for the next fiscal year, and a deis expected. attacks on Congress, or indiidual members thereof, for a lack of liberality in granting pensions is a gross slander and without justification. When further general pension legislation is enacted it will be, as in the past, on just and liberal lines, recognizing all honorably discharged veteran soldiers, sailors, and marines, particularly of all our wars, and the ows and orphans of those who are The true citizen soldier, sailor, or

marine has not, in any of our wars, responded to his country's call to arms for pay, for bounty, or for the hope of pension, but to discharge his duty as a patriot who loves his flag and his country and to preserve and perpetuate the liberty and the biessings guaranteed by our Constitution and laws. (Applause.) He has gone forth to fight and die for his own sovereignty—that sovereignty ng sham legislation, born of a political exigency, which can bear no fruit. The true friends of the now old, war-worn, battle-scarred, weary and worthy veterans do not resort to such efforts.
And these veterans will not regard with
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We shall soon see how absolutely misleading this statement is. I quote further from his speech:

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Mr. Keifer: No, sir; not a mistake coin, Neb. This will be quite a spectacular performance and is worthy the fertile brain of Mr. Sullivan in advertising the Democratic Party. It will do good otherwise in advancing the science of automobiling and showing its possibilities. There is a probability that it will do much toward bringing the automobile into competition with

THE QUEBEC BRIDGE DISASTER. The Royal Commission has concluded its five months of careful investigation on account of having reached the state of the Civil Service employees in every lime because of lack of employment and his inability to support his family. About two weeks ago, it is alleged, who is as a Second Lieutenant in the 25th Me. and was mustered out in 1852 as a Second Lieutenant in the 30th Me. He entered the Regular Army in 1864 and a physician saved his life. At that the sits confided to him, and that he discharges have them honestly and faithfully for a Brigadier-General April 11, 1997. He has been in command of the Milting and faithfully for a Brigadier-General April 11, 1997. He has been in command of the Milting and of years gives him the strongest of the public's prederick Function of his bills contains a province of the public's prederick Function.

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3. What were they named?-E. R.

Can any of our readers answer these